

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-11 (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) A method of forming a protocol for the operation of an elevator installation, comprising the steps of:

- a) defining a protocol having at least one operating parameter for achieving a desired performance of an elevator installation;
- b) determining the at least one operating parameter by at least one of simulation of the operation of the elevator installation and calculation;
- c) including in the protocol a desired performance corresponding with the at least one operating parameter whereby the elevator installation is operable with the at least one operating parameter; and
- d) providing the protocol with a falsification protection in order to prevent at least one of the at least one operating parameter and the desired performance from being changed unnoticed.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 12 including providing the protocol with a guaranteed value for the desired performance of the elevator installation and comparing a measured actual performance of the elevator installation operated with the at least one operating parameter with the guaranteed value.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 12 including providing the protocol with a guaranteed value for the desired performance of the elevator installation, the guaranteed value being diminished relative to the desired performance by a predetermined factor.

Claim 15 (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12 wherein the falsification protection permits the protocol to be unambiguously checked with respect to the genuineness thereof by use of a publicly available authentication procedure.

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17. (Original) The method according to claim 12 including providing the protocol with expiration data which ensures that claims derived from the protocol are valid only for a restricted time period.

18. (Original) The method according to claim 12 including providing the protocol with a comparison of an actual performance of the elevator installation, which is operated with the at least one operating parameter, with the desired performance.

19. (Original) The method according to claim 12 including preventing disclosure of at least a part of the protocol to an unauthorized person.

Claims 20-40 (Cancelled)